

# CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

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## CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION†

CHARLES A. DUKES.....President  
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LOWELL S. GOIN.....Speaker  
KARL L. SCHAUPP.....Council Chairman  
GEORGE H. KRESS.....Secretary and Editor

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### OFFICIAL BUSINESS

#### COUNCIL OF THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION

##### Minutes of the Two Hundred and Eighty-Second (282nd) Meeting of the Council of the California Medical Association

The meeting was held in Room 302 of the Sir Francis Drake Hotel, Sutter and Powell streets, San Francisco, on Sunday, March 10, 1940, at 9:30 a. m.

##### 1. Call to Order.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Schaupp with the following members present: Charles A. Dukes, President; Harry H. Wilson, President-elect; William W. Roblee, Past President; Lowell S. Goin, Speaker; Councilors Calvert L. Emmons, George D. Maner, Louis A. Packard, A. E. Anderson, C. Kelly Canelo, Karl L. Schaupp, Oliver D. Hamlin (afternoon session), Frank A. MacDonald, Henry S. Rogers, William H. Kiger, Philip K. Gilman, Earl Moody, Elbridge Best, Frederick N. Scaena; George G. Reinle, Chairman of Public Relations Committee, and Secretary-Treasurer George H. Kress. Present by invitation Vice-Speaker Dewey R. Powell.

Absent: Councilor C. O. Tanner.

##### 2. Minutes.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the minutes of the 281st meeting of the Council, as published in the March issue of CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE, were approved.

##### 3. Financial Statement.

Financial statement for the month of February, 1940, was presented, and on motion duly made, seconded and carried, was approved.

The Secretary stated that the statements would carry a footnote showing the net profit received from reprints.

† For complete roster of officers, see advertising pages 2, 4, and 6.

It was reported that the Association had renewed the loans previously held by the Crocker First National Bank; the three notes being combined as one \$50,000 note, dated March 1, 1940, and running for a period of three months.

##### 4. Membership.

After consideration of membership data and requests from their respective county medical societies, on motion of Charles Dukes, seconded by William Kiger, retired membership in the California Medical Association was granted to Victor Llewellyn Mann, La Habra, Los Angeles County; William Fitch Cheney, San Francisco County; and J. Emit Cox, Coalinga, Fresno County.

##### 5. Compulsory Health Initiative.

The Secretary reported that mimeographed copies of the proposed initiative on compulsory health had been made by the Committee on Public Health Education for use of the Speakers' Bureau and the component county societies. Copies were made available to councilors.

##### 6. American Medical Association Indictments.

Attention was called to press dispatches in which it was stated that the United States District Court of Appeals had ruled that the American Medical Association must stand trial on charges of monopoly.

##### 7. Section on Orthopedic and Traumatic Surgery.

The attention of the Council was called to the request of the Western Orthopedic Association that a Section on Orthopedic and Traumatic Surgery be provided in the California Medical Association. The Secretary stated that the President of the Western Orthopedic Association had been informed that the by-laws provided that such request should be presented in regular form to the House of Delegates at Coronado. No action taken.

##### 8. Yolo-Colusa-Glenn County Medical Society.

Correspondence from a member of the Yolo-Colusa-Glenn County Medical Society regarding the geographical inconveniences of the present combined counties in relation to attendance of members at meetings of the Society, was considered.

It was the sense of the Council that Doctor Frank A. MacDonald, councilor of the Eighth District, which district includes all of the counties named, investigate the situation through consultation with the county societies concerned, and report back to the Council prior to the annual session at Coronado in May next.

##### 9. Redistricting.

The Secretary called attention to Section 9 of Article IV of the Constitution which provides that the House of Delegates shall consider and regroup the councilor districts of the Association at least once in every ten years.

On motion of Charles Dukes, seconded by George Reinle, a special committee to study the grouping of the councilor districts of the Association and consisting of Doctors Rogers (chairman), Packard and Anderson, was appointed: the committee to submit a report to the Council at the next annual session. Carried.

#### 10. Annual Session.

The Secretary reported briefly on the program for the Annual Session, stating that a general meeting would be held each of the mornings; the afternoons to be devoted to meetings of the Special Sections.

Doctor Kress stated that the twenty-nine booths, in the technical or commercial exhibit division, had all been contracted for within ten days after the announcement thereon had been mailed, the total to be received from these booth rentals amounting to \$5,600, the largest income from that source as yet recorded for the California Medical Association.

#### 11. Delegates to the American Medical Association.

Secretary Kress reported that the delegates to the next session of the American Medical Association in New York City on June 10-14, were Doctors Reinle, Palette, Peers, Molony, Best, Kinney and Goin; and that Alternate Bon O. Adams would serve for Delegate Lyell C. Kinney, who found it impossible to attend.

#### 12. Golden Gate International Exposition.

The Secretary reported that, in accordance with Council action taken on February 17, 1940, he had informed the Golden Gate International Exposition that the Association would be glad to cooperate in the matter of a Cancer Exhibit, if such exhibit could be presented without cost to the Association, but that the California Medical Association was not in position to appropriate further funds for the exhibit. The cost of the exhibit in 1939 had amounted to \$4,115.53, of which amount \$3,494.93 was from accumulated Herzstein Bequest funds, the remainder (\$620.60) being an advance from the general C. M. A. fund.

#### 13. California State Association of Chiropractors.

A letter from the Board of Directors of the San Francisco County Medical Society was read, in which reference was made to a communication sent in by the California State Association of Chiropractors, asking that the California Medical Association and the State Chiropractors effect a liaison.

On motion duly made, seconded and carried, the matter was referred to the Committee on Associated Societies and Technical Groups for study and report to the Council.

#### 14. Association of California Hospitals.

Councilor C. Kelly Canelo stated that the Association of California Hospitals had requested cooperation from California Physicians' Service in the promulgation of publicity on public health education. Doctor Canelo reported that the California Physicians' Service had no funds available for such purposes.

It was moved by Charles Dukes, seconded by C. Kelly Canelo, that the matter be referred to the Committee on Public Health Education for consideration. Carried.

#### 15. American Medical Association Reapportionment of Delegates.

The Secretary reported that, as provided in the constitution of the American Medical Association, a reapportionment of delegates would take place at the annual session at New York during 1940, such apportionment to be effective for the year 1941.

#### 16. California Safety Council.

On motion of Calvert Emmons, seconded by Earl Moody, the letter from Walter Scott Franklin, President of the California Safety Council, regarding inquiry into the cause and effect of truck-driving fatigue as a contributing factor to accidents, was tabled.

#### 17. Arizona State Association.

The Council appointed Charles A. Dukes as official representative to the meeting of the Arizona State Medical Association, and authorized him to present greetings from

the California Medical Association; the Association Secretary to formulate the necessary communications.

#### 18. Report of Council.

The tentative report of the Council was considered section by section, and certain deletions, additions and changes in phraseology, were made.

It was moved by P. K. Gilman, seconded by E. Earl Moody, that the report of the Council as amended be approved for publication in the "Pre-Convention Bulletin" and submission to the House of Delegates. Carried.

It was moved by George Reinle, seconded by Louis Packard, that the final draft of the Council report, as amended, be considered by a committee consisting of the Association President, the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Executive Committee and the Association Secretary. Carried.

#### 19. Pound Bill.

It was moved by Harry Wilson, seconded by George Reinle, that a copy of the Pound Bill, as prepared by the California Society for the Promotion of Medical Research, be sent to the Chairman of the Legislative Committee and the Legal Counsel, and that a brief statement thereon be included in the report of the Council, for the information of members. Carried.

#### 20. Executive Session\*

The Council then went into executive session.

#### 21. Adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Approved: GEORGE H. KRESS, *Secretary*.  
KARL L. SCHAUPP, *Chairman*.

## COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC HEALTH EDUCATION†

Your Committee on Public Health Education during the last month assumed a most important duty, namely, furnishing of publicity for California Physicians' Service, being instructed to take this step by the Council of the California Medical Association.

This means that the services of our public relations counsel, Mr. Ross Marshall, who handles publicity matters for California Medical Association, now are available to California Physicians' Service to the extent possible without interfering with his duties to the basic California Medical Association program for public health education.

First activity was the taking of a series of pictures illustrating California Physicians' Service care, through the cooperation of one of the beneficiary members and a San Francisco hospital. These pictures are intended for publication in *Life* or a similar national magazine, similar to the page in the rotogravure section of the Los Angeles *Times* last October, which was regarded as good publicity for California Physicians' Service. The public relations counsel also has issued one state-wide story to newspapers for California Physicians' Service and expects to follow this with other publicity, to the extent that his duties to the California Medical Association organization will permit.

\* Minutes of the Executive Session on file in the Central Office of the Association.

† The Committee on Public Health Education was established through Substitute Resolution No. 6 at the Del Monte annual session, May 3, 1939.

The Committee on Public Health Education consists of Frank R. Makinson, chairman, Oakland; Karl L. Schaupp, secretary, San Francisco; Samuel Ayres, Jr., Los Angeles; Thomas A. Card, Riverside; Lowell S. Goin, Los Angeles; Junius B. Harris, Sacramento; Dewey R. Powell, Stockton; Charles A. Dukes (ex officio), Oakland. Mr. Ross Marshall is the public relations counsel of the Committee, and may be addressed at 408 South Spring Street, Los Angeles (telephone TUCKER 2312), or 244 Kearny Street, San Francisco (telephone YUKON 2212).

The subcommittee appointed to arrange for essay contests in California high schools has been in contact with a high official of the State Department of Education and reports encouraging progress and full coöperation from the educational authorities.

The Public Relations Counsel also forwarded to the State Board of Education lists of speakers who can be called upon for speeches by the Adult Education Discussion Forums of evening high schools, a state-wide movement under the joint sponsorship of the WPA and the State Department of Education.

In this connection No. 48 of the set of speeches, dealing with voluntary versus compulsory health programs, was mailed to all secretaries of speakers' bureaus. This is but the first of several speeches on this important subject that will be furnished the membership of the California Medical Association for their use in combating compulsory medical care plans. Your Committee on Public Health Education is compiling statistics now which, when completed, are expected to be of great value in this work.

Your Public Relations Counsel spoke before county medical societies of Tulare, Kern, Riverside, and Ventura counties, explaining the program of the Committee.

A story was sent all newspapers in the state regarding the seven-county postgraduate course on March 16 at Bakersfield, at which the Kern County Medical Society was host.

A radio script, telling the story of California Physicians' Service, was prepared by your Public Relations Counsel for the Harbor Branch of the Los Angeles County Medical Society and was broadcast over a Long Beach radio station, under the sponsorship of the Long Beach Junior Chamber of Commerce. This was without cost to the medical profession, and your Committee offers similar aid to any members who can arrange similar programs elsewhere.

The chairman of the committee, Dr. Frank R. Makinson, spoke on the Committee program at the annual meeting of the county secretaries at San Francisco, explaining the program to this important group.

R. M.

## COMMITTEE ON POSTGRADUATE ACTIVITIES†

### Humboldt County Clinical Conference

The facilities of the Humboldt County Hospital and St. Joseph's Hospital of Eureka were utilized on Thursday and Friday, March 14 and 15, for a clinical conference held under the auspices of the Humboldt County Medical Society, to which members of medical societies in the adjacent counties were also invited.

The guest lecturers and demonstrators were Doctors Frederick C. Bost and Verne Inman of San Francisco.

The subject of fractures was discussed from different angles, and a fracture clinic was held at the County Hospital. The round-table conference was well attended, much interest being shown.

The clinical material had been well prepared. There was a good attendance, and plans are in the making for a follow-up conference at an early date.

Eureka, California, March 23, 1940.

Dear Doctor Kress:—As chairman of the Postgraduate Committee of the Humboldt County Medical Society, I wish to thank you for your prompt coöperation in arranging our last postgraduate clinic.

It was the unanimous opinion of the Society that the clinic given by Doctors Bost and Inman was the most

†Requests concerning clinical conferences, guest speakers, and other information, should be sent to the California Medical Association headquarters office, 450 Sutter, San Francisco, in care of the Association Secretary.

interesting one ever given in Eureka, and the men are already speaking in terms of another clinic by Doctor Bost for the next year. The attendance at the clinic was almost 100 per cent.

Thanking you again, I am

Very sincerely yours,

WALTER W. DOLFINI, M. D.

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### Kern County Clinical Conference

The Clinical Conference, held under the sponsorship of the Kern County Medical Society, was held at Bakersfield on Saturday, March 16. Almost one hundred physicians from Kern and neighboring counties were in attendance. Headquarters for the Clinical Conference were at the Hotel El Tejon.

General program follows:

- 10 a. m.—Peritoneoscopy, Robert B. Hope, Los Angeles.
- 11 a. m.—Differential Diagnosis of Chest Pain, Robert William Langley, Los Angeles.
- 12 noon—Lunch, Hotel Tejon.
- Present Status of Serums, Vaccines, and Vitamins in the Treatment of Infectious Disease, E. B. Shaw, San Francisco.
- 2 p. m.—Trichinosis, James B. McNaught, San Francisco.
- 3 p. m.—Some Clinical Experience with the Newer Sex Hormones, Hans Lisser, San Francisco.
- 4 p. m.—Recent Advances in Pharmacology, Chauncey D. Leake, Ph. D., San Francisco.

In the afternoon, the ear, nose, and throat specialists also had a conference between the hours of two to four o'clock, Dr. J. MacKenzie Brown of Los Angeles being in charge. The topics for special discussion were:

- (a) Treatment of acute and chronic sinusitis;
- (b) Treatment of acute ear conditions, with reference to sulfanilamide.

In the evening, at the Stockdale Country Club, the physicians who were in attendance at the Clinical Conference not only enjoyed an excellent dinner, but had the pleasure of hearing Prof. Chauncey D. Leake of the University of California give a delightful postprandial talk on "Art and Medicine." Then followed a dance until the wee hours of the morning.

On Sunday morning some of the visiting physicians took part in a golf tournament, and others had the pleasure of visiting points of interest. The wild flowers were in full bloom and their beauty was much enjoyed. The general arrangements were in charge of a committee, consisting of Doctors J. Headen Inman (chairman), James T. Stanton, and Roderick A. Ogden.

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### Fresno County Clinical Conference

A Clinical Conference was held in the County Hospital at Fresno on Friday, February 16.

The guest speakers were Doctors Clark Johnson and Edgar Wayburn of San Francisco. Doctor Johnson's presentations dealt with urologic topics, and Doctor Wayburn took up vitamin B deficiencies.

## CALIFORNIA PHYSICIANS' SERVICE†

March 16, 1940

Membership continues to increase (as of March 15—9,100). More doctors are seeing patients, with the service running more smoothly each month.

†Address: California Physicians' Service, 333 Pine Street, San Francisco. Telephone EXbrook 3211. Alson Kilgore, M. D., secretary.

Copy for the California Physicians' Service department in the OFFICIAL JOURNAL is submitted by that organization. For roster of nonprofit hospitalization associates in California, see in front advertising section on page 3, bottom left-hand column.

### Paper Work

Only two simple forms need be completed:

(1) *Initial Report (Form 7)*. This should be sent to the District Deputy Medical Director when a new patient is first seen. Please give enough note to indicate at least working diagnosis and *duration of symptoms*. Use the back to indicate special diagnostic or treatment procedures which you desire to carry out. Unless you are in a hurry and want to get authority by telephone, this blank will serve as your request for authority. Please let the medical director advise that the patient is entitled to the services requested before carrying them out.

(2) *Monthly Statement (Form 9)*. Please send the white and blue copies at the *end of each month's treatment*—even if further treatment is to be given. There is no way to establish unit-value for each month without bills for all services rendered in that month.

The blue sheet will be returned with your check with the services you have indicated translated into units and computed in money, for your records.

### Coronado Meeting

The annual meeting of administrative members, election of trustees, etc., will be held at Coronado, Tuesday, May 7, at 12:15 (lunch meeting). During the afternoon an open discussion of the fee-schedule for proposed revision will be held, also a meeting of deputy medical directors for general discussion, to which professional members are invited.

## COUNTY SOCIETIES†

### KERN COUNTY

The Kern County Medical Society held a regular meeting at the Firehouse Auditorium in Bakersfield on the evening of March 21. Dr. C. S. Compton presided.

A vote of thanks was ordered to be sent to the committee in charge of the recent Postgraduate Conference held in Bakersfield on March 16, which was most successful. Doctors J. Headen Inman, James Stanton, and Roderick Ogden were in charge of the arrangements. Dr. L. A. Packard suggested that the Secretary also express the appreciation of the Society to all who cooperated in making this conference an outstanding event of the year.

Dr. Sophie M. Loven reported on the work of the Tuberculosis Project Committee in cooperation with the Kern County Tuberculosis Association. The project has made available tuberculin and chest x-ray films on the request of any physician to aid in the diagnosis of chest diseases in the low-income group of private patients. Since July, 1939, 106 films have been taken with fifteen diagnoses of tuberculosis, both childhood and adult types. The Project Committee is responsible for interpretation of films, and is composed of Doctors Eric Colby, Seymour Strongin, and Sophie Loven.

Doctor Packard commented briefly on the coming California medical Association meeting. The speaker, Dr. Arthur A. Kirchner of Los Angeles, was introduced by Dr. Lloyd Fox. He presented an unusually fine discussion on the use of the gastroscope in the diagnosis of diseases of the stomach. Doctor Kirchner demonstrated the instrument and also showed excellent slides of the lesions found with this diagnostic procedure.

ERIC COLBY, *Secretary*.



### MONTEREY COUNTY

The Monterey County Medical Society acted as hosts to the members of the San Benito and Santa Cruz Medi-

† For roster of officers of component county medical societies, see page 4 in front advertising section.

cal Societies at a postgraduate symposium on *Gastro-Enterology*, held on February 1, at the Monterey County Hospital.

Dr. Mast Wolfson of Monterey was in charge of the arrangements, and presided at the all-day session. Doctors Fred Kruse, Eric Liliencrantz, and David Wood of San Francisco conducted the meetings. Luncheon and dinner were held at the Santa Lucia Inn.



A meeting of the Monterey County Medical Society was held at the Hotel Del Monte on Thursday evening, March 7. A program on *Diseases of the Chest* was given by Doctors Leo Eloesser and L. Henry Garland.

ARNOLD MANOR, *Secretary*.



### RIVERSIDE COUNTY

At the regular February meeting of the Riverside County Medical Society a very interesting film on *Syphilis* was shown by a member of the State Department of Public Health, with discussion by Dr. J. R. Scholtz of Los Angeles.

Dr. Lewis C. George and Dr. Elmer A. Hankins were elected to membership in the Society.



The regular meeting of the Riverside County Medical Society was held at the Riverside County Hospital on March 11. Interesting and instructive clinical cases were presented by members of the staff. Mr. Ross Marshall and Mr. Ben Read of the Public Health Education Committee were present to discuss some of their problems.

Dr. James Barnard was elected to membership.

PHILIP CORR, *Secretary*.



### SACRAMENTO COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Sacramento Society for Medical Improvement was called to order by the president, Dr. Norris Jones, at the Auditorium on January 16, with sixty-nine members and guests present.

The paper of the evening, *Nervous Indigestion*, was presented by Dr. Dwight W. Wilbur, who discussed the male and female patients complaining of indigestion and stated that 50 per cent of the male, and 40 per cent of the females over forty years of age had an organic lesion. The speaker then enumerated the types of dyspepsia. Under treatment, seven factors were given: (1) Tact and sympathy; (2) psychotherapy; (3) rest; (4) physical therapy; (5) bland diet; (6) vitamins; (7) drugs which are of little value except as sedatives.

Discussion was opened by Dr. O. Johnson and continued by Doctors Reardan and Pulford.

Dr. Charles Dukes, President of the California Medical Association, was introduced by Dr. Norris Jones. Doctor Dukes discussed in general the *Various Activities of the California Medical Association*.

Dr. George H. Kress, Secretary-Editor of the California Medical Association, spoke on the subject of *Organized Medicine, the Wagner Bill, the annual session to be held in Coronado in May, and the subject of Postgraduate Conferences*. Dr. R. Teall requested that Doctor Kress discuss the financial situation of the California Physicians' Service, and asked by what authority the California Medical Association gave further funds to California Physicians' Service. Doctor Kress stated that further funds were given on the advice of the Council, \$6,000 being allocated for the month of December and a like amount for January. On January 6, the Council authorized a further \$10,000, if needed by the California Physicians' Service. Further comment and discussion was participated in by Doctors Teall, Kress, Dukes, and Wilder.

Applications for membership of Doctors Dellivan Fuiks and Aurang Shah were read for the first time, and those of Doctors Maude Tillotson and Teru Togasaki for the second, after which the latter were elected to membership in the Society. G. E. MILLAR, *Secretary-Treasurer*.



#### SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY

The regular meeting of the San Joaquin County Medical Society, called to order at 8:30 p. m. by President Hugh Bolinger, was held in the Medico-Dental clubrooms in Stockton on March 7.

Prior to that the customary supper was enjoyed by twenty-three members and guests at the Hotel Wolf. There was no speaker, but an instructive movie, illustrating *Eclampsia*, under the direction of De Lee of Chicago, was shown.

A communication from the SRA relative to a curtailment of medical services was read. A letter from the Stockton China Aid Counsel was also read, requesting coöperation from our group in forwarding money and supplies to China. The applications of Doctors Helen L. Starbuck, Louis L. Ghiglieri, and Edmond P. Halley were read and referred to the Admissions Committee. Doctor Powell then delivered a eulogy on Doctor Blackmun.\*

The Medical Society stood in respect of Doctor Blackmun for thirty seconds. Doctor Powell next presented a résumé of the activities of the California Physicians' Service for the past month. Doctor Doughty spoke on the Speakers' Committee being formed by the San Joaquin County Medical Society, and urged all members to co-operate. Doctor Wever mentioned that there would be a joint meeting of the medical, dental, and bar associations of Stockton, under the auspices of the Medical-Dental Club. And Doctor Wever then asked that a representative of the Medical Society be appointed to confer with representatives of the other two associations to arrange details, and he himself was appointed to represent the Society.

The paper of the evening was presented by Dr. William Fitch Cheney, who spoke on *Diagnosis and Treatment of Chronic Cholecystitis*. The paper was very well received. There being no further business to come before the Society, the meeting was declared adjourned at 9:30 p. m. and refreshments served.

G. H. ROHRBACHER, *Secretary*.



#### SHASTA COUNTY

The regular monthly meeting of the Shasta County Medical Society was held at the Hotel Redding on January 8, attended by the members, Doctors Kay, Gerrard, Saylor, Mosher, Kahn, Kirkpatrick, Pratt, and Trelstad. Doctors Lubin and Jantzen of Redding, Briggs of Weaver-ville, and Mayers of Fall River Mills were visitors.

After dinner, served at 7 p. m., the meeting was called to order by President Gerrard.

Delegate and alternate to the California Medical Association annual session were elected as follows: Doctor Saylor as delegate and Doctor Kay as alternate.

Suggestion was made to obtain an orthopedist to address the meeting in February.

Having disposed of the business at hand, the Society heard Doctor Kahn give an interesting discussion in connection with the *Common Ailments of Eye, Ear, Nose, and Throat*.

B. L. TRELSTAD, *Secretary*.



#### VENTURA COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Ventura County Medical Society was held at Saticoy on Tuesday evening January 9, with Doctor Barker presiding.

Doctor Bertrand S. Frohmann of Los Angeles presented a paper on *The Two Most Common Types of Neurosis Encountered in General Practice*.

A letter from Teague & Wiester, insurance brokers, offering their services to professional men regarding their insurance problems, was read.

Dr. A. Strong was appointed program chairman for March.



The regular meeting of the Ventura County Medical Society was held at Saticoy on Tuesday, February 13, with Doctor Barker presiding, and twenty members and one guest present.

Doctor Merrill of the State Department of Public Health presented a film on *The Diagnosis and Treatment of Syphilis*, which was sponsored by the American Medical Association and the United States Department of Public Health.

As the terms of Dr. Charles B. Pinkham and Dr. William R. Molony, Sr., expire this year, Doctor Shore made a motion that the Society endorse them for another term, and that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter to Governor Olson to this effect. The motion was seconded by Dr. C. A. Smolt and was unanimously carried.

A communication from the California Tuberculosis Association, in regard to Erus-Eruc treatment of tuberculosis, was read. Dr. C. A. Smolt made a motion that the Secretary be instructed to write a letter to Governor Olson protesting the pardon of Edward C. and Olive Hurlbert, who were convicted of violating the Medical Practice Act in this regard. The motion was seconded by Doctor Homer and was unanimously carried.

The applications of Dr. and Mrs. J. J. Renger (Marian Swezey) were read for the first time.

A. A. MORRISON, *Secretary*.



#### YUBA-SUTTER COUNTY

The regular meeting of the Yuba-Sutter County Medical Society was held at the Hotel Marysville on March 5. The following members were present: Doctors Delamere, Hamilton, Linstrum, Loomis, Lupo, Miller, Morris, Parkinson, Swift, Thunen, Whitney, and Wisner. Dr. Leo Eloesser of the Stanford Medical School, Doctors Kimmel of Marysville, Lord of Paradise, Cary of Gridley, and Landis and Lang of Grass Valley were guests of the Society.

The regular business of the Society and the reading of the Secretary's report were omitted, and President Miller called on Program Committeeman Hamilton to introduce Doctor Eloesser, who spoke on recent *Developments in Surgery of Pulmonary Tuberculosis*. He illustrated his subject with lantern slides, and demonstrated a working model of the lungs and chest under the influence of various mechanical and pathological conditions.

Doctor Miller announced that a special business session would be held on Tuesday, March 12.

The meeting was adjourned for the serving of a buffet luncheon.

The group later adjourned to the Yuba County Hospital, where Dr. Anthony Fratis had ready several clinic cases for Doctor Eloesser to examine and discuss.

The next regular session of the Yuba-Sutter Society will be held on April 2.

LEON M. SWIFT, *Secretary*.

#### CHANGES IN MEMBERSHIP

##### New Members (79)

##### Alameda County

Victor E. Sbarbaro, *Oakland*

##### Contra Costa County

Paul E. Winn, *Walnut Creek*

\* For Obituary, see page 187.

*Kern County*Frank J. McDonald, *Bakersfield**Lassen-Plumas-Modoc County*E. F. Gianotti, *Walker Mine**Los Angeles County*Clarence D. Alpert, *El Monte*Albert A. Baraff, *Los Angeles*H. O. Barnes, *Los Angeles*Nathan Barshop, *Los Angeles*M. Louise Benefield, *Long Beach*Terry C. Bennett, *Los Angeles*Albert A. Best, *Los Angeles*Donald W. Blanche, *Los Angeles*Russell H. Blood, *Los Angeles*Myron J. Blotky, *Los Angeles*Maynard Brandsma, *Beverly Hills*Bernard Brownfield, *Los Angeles*Solomon Bruson, *Los Angeles*Raymond A. Burger, *Los Angeles*Cecil C. Cole, *Long Beach*Orville W. Cole, *Long Beach*Clyde W. Collings, *Los Angeles*G. Glenn Dollinger, *San Gabriel*Herman I. Faier, *Los Angeles*D. A. Gazzaniga, *Los Angeles*Anita Gelber, *Los Angeles*Gerlad Gordon, *Beverly Hills*Russell C. Hadley, *Los Angeles*Stanley S. Haft, *Los Angeles*Joseph O. Hayhurst, *Inglewood*Wendell O. Hayhurst, *Inglewood*Bryan R. Hoover, *Los Angeles*Nathan Jacobs, *Sierra Madre*Raymond L. Jeffery, *Los Angeles*Glen E. Jones, *Los Angeles*Marshall B. Kaller, *Long Beach*Esther M. Kirk-Foster, *Los Angeles*Edward Kupka, *Olive View*Morey Lapin, *Los Angeles*Alfred M. LaRay, *Los Angeles*Philip Levey, *Los Angeles*Charles S. Lobel, *Los Angeles*James V. Luck, *Los Angeles*John K. Macmillan, *Santa Monica*Stanley G. McCool, *Olive View*Walter E. McKenzie, *Los Angeles*Charles J. Murray, *Los Angeles*Richard A. Peterfy, *Los Angeles*Frederick W. Pobirs, *Los Angeles*David A. Pohlman, *Los Angeles*Thomas M. Potasz, *Los Angeles*Rolla C. Purdy, *Los Angeles*Edward D. Quillen, *Los Angeles*Carl Rydholm, *Los Angeles*Walter W. Schultz, *Puente*Max A. Seymon, *Beverly Hills*Joseph M. Shachtman, *Los Angeles*Sylvester A. Shaffer, *Los Angeles*Robert Simonds, *Los Angeles*Ernest T. Smith, *Glendale*Victor E. Stark, *Los Angeles*John G. Staub, *Pomona*Arthur O. Stewart, *North Hollywood*Richard F. Webb, *Pasadena*Lawrence A. Williams, *Los Angeles*Paul Witten, *San Fernando*Thomas A. Wong, *Los Angeles*John D. Yarbrough, *Los Angeles**Orange County*John J. Montanus, *Santa Ana**Sacramento County*Maude H. Tillotson, *Sacramento*Teru Togasaki, *Sacramento**San Diego County*E. D. Berends, *San Diego*I. E. LeDuc, *San Diego*L. W. McGrath, *Mission Beach*Ross C. Pyle, *San Diego**San Francisco County*Samuel D. Aiken, *San Francisco*Portia B. Hume, *San Francisco**Santa Clara County*George William Waters, *Santa Clara**Santa Cruz County*W. K. Shulte, *Santa Cruz**Sonoma County*Elmer W. Lewis, *Petaluma***Transfers (16)**

George K. Abbott, from Mendocino County to Napa County.

Burton A. Adams, from Alameda County to San Diego County.

William E. Carter, from Alameda County to San Francisco County.

E. W. Cartwright, from San Diego County to Los Angeles County.

Ramiro Fernandez, from Los Angeles County to Orange County.

Evan G. Gamette, from Shasta County to Fresno County.

E. E. Henderson, from San Francisco County to Santa Clara County.

Harold Kahn, from Santa Barbara County to Shasta County.

Martin Karr, from San Joaquin County to San Mateo County.

O. K. Malcolmson, from Los Angeles County to Fresno County.

M. A. Mortensen, from Los Angeles County to Michigan State Association.

J. O. Rafferty, from Yolo-Colusa-Glenn County to Sonoma County.

C. E. Schultz, from Monterey County to San Luis Obispo County.

Charles E. Sisson, from San Diego County to Los Angeles County.

Carl H. Talmage, from Napa County to Los Angeles County.

Rudolph B. Toller, from Mendocino County to Napa County.

**Resigned (7)**

Arthur Beardslee, from San Francisco County.

George H. Ham, from Los Angeles County.

Myrl Morris, from San Francisco County.

H. Jefferson O'Brien, from Los Angeles County.

Cecil Reynolds, from Los Angeles County.

Francis Scott Smyth, from San Francisco County.

Jean B. Wilson, from San Francisco County.

**In Memoriam**

**Blackmun, Ernest Lynwood, Sr.** Died at Stockton, March 3, 1940, age 67. Graduate of the University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis, 1901. Licensed in California in 1905. Doctor Blackmun was a member of the San Joaquin County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

**Lokrantz, Sven Richard.** Died at Los Angeles, March 11, 1940, age 48. Graduate of Tufts College Medical School, Boston, 1918. Licensed in California in 1919. Doctor Lokrantz was a member of the Los Angeles County Medical Association, the California Medical Association, and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.



**Roberg, David Nathaniel.** Died at San Jose, February 20, 1940, age 56. Graduate of Rush Medical College, University of Chicago, 1908. Licensed in California in 1927. Doctor Roberg was a member of the Santa Clara County Medical Society, the California Medical Association, and the American Medical Association.



## OBITUARIES

**Ernest Lynwood Blackmun, Sr.**

1873-1940

On Sunday, March 3, 1940, Dr. Ernest Lynwood Blackmun answered his last call. He had been in poor health for the past year and confined to his bed for five weeks preceding his death, which terminated thirty-five years of general practice in our city of Stockton.

Doctor Blackmun was born at Alden, Minnesota, on the twenty-third day of June, 1873. His preliminary education was obtained at the Albert Lea High School and Coe College, Cedar Rapids, Iowa. He was graduated in medicine from the University of Minnesota in 1901, and practiced in Triumph, Minnesota, from 1901 to 1905.

He was married to Miss Mable Dorn of Ridgeway, Iowa, in 1902, and in 1904 came to California, where he was admitted to practice, and located in the city of Stockton.

Those of us who knew Doctor Blackmun through the years respected him for his quiet, modest, gentlemanly demeanor, and his strict attention to his professional responsibilities. He was absorbed in his work and in his home, where his widow, his married daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Scott, and his son, Dr. Lynwood Blackmun, Jr., survive.

The satisfaction of his later years was having his son complete his medical training, and join him in practice here in Stockton.

His confrères in the San Joaquin County Medical Society desire to extend to his widow and children, particularly to our own member, Dr. Lynwood Blackmun, Jr., their sincere sympathy and expression of the esteem and respect in which our fellow member has been held by his associates in practice through his many years of devoted service to the people of this community.



**John Hibbard Pettis**

1877-1940

With the death of Dr. John Hibbard Pettis on January 28, 1940, Fresno lost one of its outstanding citizens and the medical profession a distinguished member. Doctor Pettis was born in Flint, Michigan, November 26, 1877. He was graduated from the University of Michigan, Department of Literature, in 1904 and the School of Medicine in 1906. After practicing two years with a brother at West Branch, Michigan, he returned to the University of Michigan and was instructor in surgery from 1909 to 1914. In 1914 he helped form the Clinical Group at Fresno, California, and was its chief surgeon. He became Chief of the General Surgical Staff at the General Hospital of Fresno County. He became a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons in 1914. He was a member of the Academy of Medicine of San Francisco, a member of the Fresno County Medical Society and a Fellow of the American Medical Association.

As a consulting surgeon he was well known in the San Joaquin Valley.

The passing of Doctor Pettis leaves a large circle of friends and professional colleagues who will greatly miss him.

W. E. R. SCHOTTSTAEDT, M. D.



**Sven Lokrantz**

1892-1940

The many friends of Dr. Sven Lokrantz, Director of Health Service, Los Angeles City Schools, have heard with deep regret of his premature death. Doctor Lokrantz was born in Sweden, but came to America as a young medical student and graduated from Tufts Medical School, Boston. He came to Los Angeles in 1918 and shortly after was appointed Supervisor of Corrective Physical Education, which he promoted with a missionary zeal that resulted in the most outstanding department of its kind in the United States. In 1924 corrective physical education and health service were united under his leadership. In the years that followed he labored with singleness of purpose and with rare vision, so that the Los Angeles Health Service Section became one of the most progressive school health departments in this country.

Doctor Lokrantz' genius for organization and administration was recognized by many appointments to positions of leadership and responsibility. In 1931 he was President of the Southern California Public Health Association and head of the American School Physicians Association. In 1932 he justified the confidence of his professional associates who appointed him medical director of the Olympic Games by planning and carrying out a program of medical care, health supervision, and first aid for the Olympic athletes; this earned for him the commendation and gratitude of all countries and brought to him honors from his own and foreign countries, and knighthood from his native land of Sweden.

In addition to his professional ability he was a man of rare charm and great kindness of nature which expressed itself in warm friendship for many people and in earnest devotion to the welfare of little children.

Doctor Lokrantz has made a great contribution to school health education, and will go down to posterity as the founder of corrective physical education in America. His many friends and colleagues mourn his passing and extend to his family their heartfelt sympathy.

Doctor Lokrantz was born September 22, 1892, at Munso near Stockholm, Sweden. He was graduated from Tuft's College Medical School, M. D., Boston, Mass., February 6, 1918, and was naturalized as an American citizen in 1920. He came to California in 1918. Shortly after, Doctor Lokrantz was appointed Assistant Supervisor of Corrective Physical Education on October 3, 1918; was made supervisor on October 4, 1920; and was appointed director of the Division of Health and Corrective Physical Education of the Los Angeles City Schools on July 1, 1924.

Positions and honors: Director, Lokrantz School of Corrective Physical Education, Boston, Mass.; President, American Association of School Physicians—1931; President of the Southern California Public Health Association—1931; President, Ling Foundation; Medical Director, Xth Olympic Games at Los Angeles—1932; knighted by the King of Sweden in 1930—Royal Order of Vasa—First Class; decorated with Order of the North Star of Sweden—1933; decorated by the Queen of Holland—Oranje Nassau Order; and other decorations and honors.

Present size of the Health Service Section of the Los Angeles School District: 54 physicians, 21 dentists, 95 nurses, and 146 corrective teachers.

In 1923 he married Carolina Winston, still living, and they were blessed with one son, Sven W. Lokrantz.

C. MORLEY SELLERY, M. D.

**Sol Hyman**  
1875-1940

Sol Hyman was born in April, 1875, in Nevada City, California. He received his early education in the public schools of San Francisco and then attended the University of California, starting to study engineering, but soon switched to medicine. He was graduated in medicine at Johns Hopkins Medical School in 1902 and took his training in surgery at Mt. Sinai Hospital in New York City. He returned to San Francisco and was connected with the Mt. Zion Hospital and with the Cooper Medical College. In November, 1907, he married Miss Caroline Penna and following his marriage he went abroad for two years.

An interesting happening of his trip across the Atlantic was that he was on the ship that received the first SOS ever sent out by another ship in distress. Upon his arrival in Europe he traveled around considerably, visiting the clinics and absorbing generous amounts of the culture of Europe as it then was. Quite early on this trip, although he devoted some of his time to general surgery, he resolved to make neurological surgery his major interest. In furtherance of this design he settled in London, working in the laboratory of Sir Victor Horsley.

He returned to San Francisco in November, 1909, went into private practice and was appointed to the surgical division of the University of California. He resigned after a few years and devoted himself to private practice until he retired in 1927.

For several years he was chairman of the Publications Committee of the *California State Journal of Medicine*; he was president and also a director of the San Francisco County Medical Society.

After his retirement he moved to his charming home in Los Altos. He did not, however, lose touch with the medical profession nor did he lose interest in humanity. When the depression made it necessary to set up a relief organization in San Francisco, he became assistant director under Mr. Wollenberg. It was due largely to his efforts that the Central Medical Bureau was so organized that it functioned smoothly and effectively during the early part of its existence. When the European refugee problem came up, Doctor Hyman gave his energies to that and served diligently and faithfully up to the time of his last illness.

This in brief is an outline of his career from the professional side. It is not the complete picture of the man. That he was extremely human his public life shows, but it does not tell nearly the whole tale. His family life was ideal. He had not only his serious side, but also a keen sense of humor. He could be busy and intense, but he could also loaf, and loaf gracefully. Like many another mild and gentle person he had a firm side to his character. Whenever a principle was involved, particularly one that related to the advancement of the medical profession, he was adamant and would fight to the bitter end, but for his own personal advancement he would not do a hand's turn.

In his later years, gardening was not only a hobby, but it held a scientific interest for him. All up and down the Peninsula, and even in a wider area, the gardeners, plant breeders, and horticulturists were his friends.

His final illness lasted less than two months. For the greater part of this time he was, fortunately, comfortable, but when the attacks of pain developed, his fortitude was great. Though he realized fully his danger, he never allowed it to depress him.

I know of no more fitting words to say in final tribute to Doctor Hyman than—

"His life was gentle, and the elements  
So mix'd in him that Nature might stand up  
And say to all the world, 'This was a man.'"

ARTHUR L. FISHER.

## THE WOMAN'S AUXILIARY TO THE CALIFORNIA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION†

MRS. FREDERICK N. SCATENA.....President  
MRS. WILLIAM C. BOECK.....Chairman on Publicity  
MRS. KARL O. VON HAGEN.....Asst. Chairman on Publicity

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association\*

The meeting of the Board of Directors of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association was called to order by the president, Mrs. Frederick N. Scatena, at 10:30 a. m., in the Pacific Coast Club, Long Beach, California, February 26, 1940.

Answering to roll call were:

**Officers.**—Mrs. Frederick N. Scatena, Mrs. A. E. Anderson, Mrs. Harry O. Hund, Mrs. Frank Baxter, Mrs. G. Wendell Olson, Mrs. George Spencer, and Mrs. C. G. Stadfield.

**Councilors-at-Large.**—Mrs. Harry Henderson, Mrs. F. G. Lindemulder, and Mrs. William C. Boeck.

**District Councilors.**—Mrs. Harry Huffman, Mrs. Horace H. McCoy, Mrs. Richard McGovney, Mrs. J. R. Walker, Mrs. Eugene Kilgore, Mrs. Charles C. Hall, Miss Julia Koenecke, and Mrs. Frank A. Lowe.

**Standing Committee.**—Mrs. A. T. Newcomb.

The following county presidents were in attendance: Mrs. E. L. Markthaler, Santa Barbara; Mrs. E. Eric Larson, Los Angeles; Mrs. Edward L. Russell, Orange; Mrs. William C. Cooke, San Diego.

The treasurer, Mrs. C. G. Stadfield, reported the following balances: Checking account, \$163.55; savings account, \$1,566.97. Mrs. Harry O. Hund moved, and it was seconded, that the Treasurer's report be accepted and placed on file. Motion carried.

#### Reports of Chairmen of Standing Committees:

**Membership and Organization.**—Mrs. Harry O. Hund reported that there are three newly organized counties—Humboldt, Sonoma, and Kings. Twenty-seven counties have Auxiliaries.

**Program and Health Education.**—Mrs. Frank Baxter suggested outlines from National be sent to County Chairmen. She reported that in November she received 3,000 blotters, advertising Radio Health Programs of the American Medical Association. Distributed these blotters to the counties, doctors' offices, schools, libraries, churches, etc. Commended Mrs. Hund on her membership and organization map, and suggested that it be published with names of County Presidents in two issues of *Courier*.

**Public Health Activities.**—Mrs. Eugene Kilgore recommended that we work with the doctors in self-educating ourselves on this great problem that confronts us—Socialized Medicine.

**Editor and Publicity.**—Mrs. William C. Boeck gave a résumé of the cost of the *Courier*. Stated that the deadline for news to be published April 15 is April 1. In CALIFORNIA AND WESTERN MEDICINE there was a good show-

† As county auxiliaries of the Woman's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association are formed, the names of their officers should be forwarded to Mrs. Karl O. Von Hagen, Assistant Chairman on Publicity, 5867 Whitworth Drive, Los Angeles. Brief reports of county auxiliary meetings will be welcomed by Mrs. Von Hagen and must be sent to her before publication takes place in this column. For lists of state and county officers, see advertising page 6. The Council of the California Medical Association has instructed the Editor to allocate two pages in every issue to Woman's Auxiliary notes.

\* Minutes of meetings as printed contain only a digest or mention of certain major items.

ing by counties. Mrs. Anderson complimented Mrs. Boeck on the publication of *Courier*.

*Hygeia*.—Mrs. H. E. Henderson had carried on an active correspondence with counties, having written over one hundred letters. Questionnaire sent out in January received eighteen replies. Kern County most outstanding with a quota of 281 per cent. Working plans are in progress to put *Hygeia* into all schools of the State.

*Convention*.—Mrs. F. G. Lindemulder presented a detailed report of the convention program and entertainment. Mrs. Harry Huffman from Orange County has charge of registration. Discussion followed, and with minor changes relative to Executive Board and Pre-Convention Board Meeting. It was moved and seconded to have Executive Board Meeting at 8:30 p. m. on Sunday. Moved by Mrs. Boeck and seconded, that we have a Pre-Convention Board Meeting on Monday at 8 to 10 a. m., to enable our President, Mrs. Scatena, to be present at the opening California Medical Association Meeting.

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The second meeting of the Board of Directors of the Women's Auxiliary to the California Medical Association was held at 1:30 p. m., in the Pacific Coast Club, Long Beach, California, February 26, 1940. Mrs. Frederick N. Scatena presiding.

*Reports of Special Committees: Historian*.—Mrs. Arthur T. Newcomb reported on her work and was to send questionnaires to all County Auxiliaries before writing the history to be sent to National.

*Reports of District Councilors*.—Each gave a favorable report on the work being accomplished in their respective districts:

Mrs. Harry Huffman, First District; Mrs. Horace H. McCoy, Second District; Mrs. Richard McGoveny, Third District; Mrs. J. R. Walker, Fourth District; Miss Julia Koencke, Fifth District; Mrs. Eugene Kilgore, Sixth District; Mrs. Charles A. Hall, Seventh District; Mrs. E. O. Brown (given by Mrs. Spencer), Eighth District; and Mrs. Frank A. Lowe, Ninth District.

*County Presidents*.—All reports showed much enthusiasm and work being accomplished in respective counties:

Mrs. E. L. Russell, Orange County; Mrs. William C. Cooke, San Diego County; Mrs. E. Eric Larson, Los Angeles County; Mrs. Edward L. Markthaler, Santa Barbara County.

*Unfinished Business*.—The proposed amendment to Section 1 of Article 9 of the Constitution was read by the Secretary. A discussion opened and Mrs. Hall, Mrs. Kilgore, Mrs. Lindemulder, and Mrs. Hund, Board members, gave their viewpoints and made suggestions.

*Announcements*.—Mrs. Spencer reported to the Board that the Roster that was to be issued by Doctor Kress will come separate from the Doctors' Roster. Also, explained about the State Membership File, and reported that 2,299 name cards were filed in their respective groups.

*New Business*.—The Secretary read a letter from Mrs. Hobart Rogers, State Parliamentarian, recommending that the Constitution and By-Laws of Humboldt, Kings, Sonoma, and Stanislaus counties be approved. Moved by Mrs. Lindemulder, and seconded, that we accept the new counties. Motion carried.

*Legislation*.—To serve the Auxiliary in legislative matters, it was moved by Mrs. Spencer, and seconded, that Mrs. H. R. Baird serve in the capacity of Legislative Chairman. Motion carried.

The Secretary read a letter from the National President, Mrs. Rollo K. Packard, regarding inquiries relative to Woman's Auxiliary of State and County Organizations being affiliated with Federation of Women's Clubs, and also, to sponsoring individuals seeking office in various organiza-

tions. "The primary reason why we should not affiliate is that Federated Clubs and other organizations endorse programs relative to health measures and practices that are in conflict with principles and policies of the American Medical Association and Woman's Auxiliary to the American Medical Association."

Moved by Mrs. Hund, and seconded, that Mrs. A. E. Anderson be allowed railroad and Pullman fares to National Convention in New York. Motion carried.

*Adjournment*.—There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

MRS. G. WENDELL OLSON,  
*Recording Secretary.*

## Component County Auxiliaries

### Los Angeles County

At the invitation of the Harbor Branch, the regular meeting of the Woman's Auxiliary to the Los Angeles County Medical Association was held at the Pacific Coast Club in Long Beach on February 27, 1940, the President, Mrs. E. Eric Larson, presiding.

Members of the State Board of Directors were guests of the Los Angeles County Board of Directors.

Mrs. Ferris Arnold, President of the Harbor Branch, presented the speaker of the day, Captain Joel T. Boone, U. S. N., who was physician to the White House during the terms of President Harding, President Coolidge and President Hoover. Captain Boone proved a most interesting speaker and held his audience fascinated with stories of personal and official nature.

Mrs. Frederick N. Scatena, President of the State Board, predicted that 1941 will be a year of medical legislation and urged the members to do all in their power to be well informed on these issues.

This was the largest meeting of the year, 179 members and guests being present.

MRS. JAY B. COSGROVE, *Recording Secretary.*

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### Fresno County

On Tuesday evening, February 6, the Woman's Auxiliary to the Fresno County Medical Society met at the University Sequoia Club, when Mrs. Kenneth Staniford presided.

After a short business meeting, the guest speaker, F. J. O'Ferrall, Chief Inspector of the State Division of Narcotic Enforcement, was presented. Inspector O'Ferrall told many interesting experiences in his work and exhibited narcotics used by addicts and peddlers.

FLORENCE H. VANDERBURGH, *Publicity Chairman.*

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### Marin County

The month of February will go down in the annals of the Marin Medical Auxiliary as one of high interest and satisfactory accomplishment.

On February 14, 1940, at the San Rafael Improvement Club, the Auxiliary entertained at its annual Bridge Tea. The picturesque clubhouse, beautifully decorated with spring blossoms, was crowded to capacity. The tea, which was given for the benefit of the philanthropic fund, was more successful than the most optimistic had dared hope. Mrs. George Landrock was chairman, and her coworkers were Mesdames Matthew Hazeltine, Robert Furlong, Thomas Gocher, Frank Lowe, and Bernard Conroy.

On February 22, 1940, the regular monthly dinner meeting was held at Deer Park Villa in Fairfax, twenty-six members were present. Mrs. C. A. De Lancey presided, and introduced the speaker, Robin Lampson, well-known California novelist, who summarized his new book, *Death Loses a Pair of Wings*. It is the story, in verse, of the

life of Dr. William Gorgas, whose conquest of yellow fever was one of the greatest achievements in the history of medicine.

(MRS. JOHN C. W.) AGNES CAMPION TAYLOR,  
Publicity Chairman.

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#### San Diego County

Sixty-eight members of the Woman's Auxiliary to the San Diego County Medical Society met at the University Club on February 13, 1940, with Mrs. William Cooke as President.

The guest speaker was Mrs. Winston Crabtree, and she reviewed the very amusing play, *Skylark*, written by Samson Raphaelson.

MRS. J. J. O'HARA, Secretary.

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#### San Francisco County

##### THE VALENTINE PARTY

"All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy, they say.  
Were you there to play on Saint Valentine's Day?"

For the third consecutive year, the Woman's Auxiliary to the San Francisco County Medical Society has had its one gala occasion of relaxation, with the coöperation of the very important element, the Doctors of the San Francisco County Medical Society. From unanimous comments since the party, it was a veritable success. Due to an increase in reservations it was impossible to accommodate everyone at the Society headquarters, so this year we transferred our affections from 2180 Washington Street to the Olympic Club at Lakeside.

Because of the efficient management and gracious personality of the chairman, Mrs. Wilbur Cox, we are proud to say that the party was par excellence, socially and financially. The most essential features of a dinner dance, after considering the guests, are good music and good food. And these we had, for Lakeside served us a delicious and substantial dinner, and the music was of unusual merit.

The California Rhythm Doctors, under the capable baton of Dr. Lloyd Kindall, rendered an excellent repertoire of dance music that made one glad to have on one's dancing shoes. Many fond memories were renewed with old favorites, and new ones created with the latest rhumba. The dancing was interspersed with delightful solos by the doctor-musicians of the orchestra.

A lucky ticket sale, with a shiny new Chrysler Royal sedan as prize, was held to raise traveling funds for the California Rhythm Doctors' Orchestra to attend the American Medical Association convention in New York City in June. The car was standing at the door of the club and after a rushing sale of tickets, it was won by two very deserving boys.

Let me add a note or two concerning the decorative element. The club house itself was garbed in Valentine attire, and the charming fair sex were beautifully gowned and adorned with Valentine nosegays from their beaux. The no-host group tables ranged from four to thirty-two, and everyone had the opportunity to say "hello" to old and new acquaintances.

It is with great pride that the Woman's Auxiliary thanks everyone for his or her interest and coöperation at this annual get-together, and we look forward with pleasure to seeing again in 1941 the old guard and many more newcomers to make merry for dear old Saint Valentine.

KATHLEEN M. MORRISSEY, President.

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#### Santa Cruz County

The Woman's Auxiliary to the Santa Cruz County Medical Society met for their February meeting at the home of Mrs. A. E. Allegrini, February 26, 1940, at 1:30 o'clock.

The meeting was led by President Mrs. F. P. Shenk, and eighteen members were present.

For our program Mrs. Julian Jacobson reviewed *Life and Death: The Autobiography of a Surgeon*, by Andrea Majocchi, a "best-seller" of medical books in 1937.

At our March meeting delegates will be elected for the convention at Coronado.

MRS. R. C. ALSBERGE, Publicity Chairman.

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#### Stanislaus County

Twenty members gathered on February 9, 1940, in the home of Mrs. R. D. Husband for refreshments and a business session which was shortened to a discussion of plans for our next meeting, in order that the guest speaker, Mrs. A. J. Carlson, might have ample time to give her talk on *Decorative Arts*, and show a fine collection of slides covering dishes, crystal, furniture and interiors. We learned at last that our constitution had been accepted, and adjourned looking forward to a useful future in the State Auxiliary.

MRS. WARREN STEELE, Jr.

*Vitamins Furnished in Breast Milk.*—"Breast milk can furnish to the baby only such vitamins as are taken in the mother's food," *The Journal of the American Medical Association* points out in answer to an inquiry as to whether or not such milk contains sufficient vitamins for the infant, and if so for how long a time.

"It is therefore obvious that, unless the mother has a diet rich in vitamins C and D, she will not furnish an adequate supply of these vitamins to the baby. It is for this reason that it is strongly advisable to begin both orange juice and some form of vitamin D early in infancy. As it takes some time for either a vitamin C deficiency—that is, scurvy—or a vitamin D deficiency—that is, rickets—to develop it is impossible to say for how long a time the mother's milk alone would be adequate to protect a newborn baby. The only safe procedure is to take no chance and to supply these vitamins from earliest infancy on."

*Medicine Must Combat Evil Effects of the Grants-in-Aid System.*—If the pattern of financing states by federal grants-in-aid is to become a fixed part of the distribution of medical and health services, the medical profession must continue to take a sympathetic interest in distribution methods in order to avoid, where possible, the losses and abuses always accompanying such grants, R. G. Leland, M. D., director of the Bureau of Medical Economics of the American Medical Association, Chicago, declares in *The Journal of the Association*.

Pointing out the loss of local control and autonomy under such a system, he states that for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1939, the payments to states under that portion of the Social Security Act concerned with public health work totaled \$7,985,119.61.

"On January 1, 1939, annual appropriations for health work in the coöperative projects alone, from local and state sources totaled \$44,861,322, an increase of more than \$13,000,000 in four years," he says.

"The expenditure of federal funds through grants-in-aid under the several titles of the Social Security Act for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1938, was \$275,000,629.80. The amount estimated to be necessary for the year ended June 30, 1939, was \$323,000,000 and for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1940, for the same purposes, \$343,150,000.

"Grants-in-aid are always accompanied by some rules, regulations and standards of administration. The rules and regulations constitute a leveling process by which direction and control are centralized, local control and autonomy are lost, and each part of the country which accepts grants-in-aid funds is required to fit the same federal mold; standards are usually minimum and when applied to the distribution of medical services actually may operate as a secondary system of licensure."